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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed 29 June 2004, thereby extending the date on which the period of response is set to expire from 29 September 2004 to 29 October 2004.

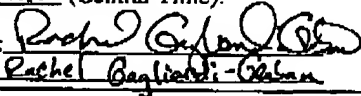
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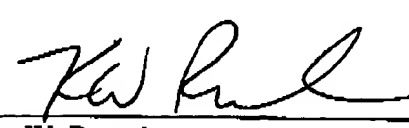
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